REPORT

OF THE

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OF THE

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

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With profound gratitude we record the goodness of God in preserving the lives of the whole band of 372 missionaries and teachers supported by the Woman's Board during the year. Not one has been called away, and but little interruption has occurred on account of sickness.

The work of the Woman's Board is both important and interesting. Its importance lies in the fact that it is among certain exceptional populations which cannot be successfully reached by the ordinary methods employed by the Board. Very little can be done among them by the simple preaching of the Word. The way must be prepared for the minister and the church by getting hold of the children. This is done by the missionary teacher. "A little child shall lead them" is proving grandly true among these peoples.

The work is interesting in that it ordinarily meets with a hearty welcome by the people, shows marked results in developing a spirit of inquiry, and in changing the manner of life and habits of thought of entire communities. Where not many years ago the home missionary would not have been tolerated, there are now churches with settled pastors.

To make this Christian work permanent the people must be made intelligent. This is the work undertaken by the Woman's Board and which has been carried on during the year with such marked success.

ALASKANS.

The eight (8) native churches, with one exception, have been regularly supplied with preaching during the year. The salaries of the Presbyterial Missionary and the seven white pastors, with their five native interpreters, have been paid by the Woman's Board. In addition to

the above, the salaries of the pastors of the white churches at Juneau and Skagway have been paid, making a total of nine missionaries and five interpreters, or fourteen in all, their combined salaries amounting to $11,609.25.

Sitka Training School.—This school for the training of native boys and girls has had a very prosperous and blessed year. The manual training given is an important feature. The carpenter shop, the shoe shop, the boat-building shop, have all been in full operation, and the work done therein entirely satisfactory. The girls' sewing classes, cooking classes and other industrial work have each been well managed and the progress made very encouraging. In the classroom equally good results have been accomplished. The spiritual results are a source of great thanksgiving, 53 of the pupils making a profession of faith in Christ during the year. Teachers, 13; pupils, 155; salaries, $5,887.03; current expenses, $8,488.24; total, $14,375.27. Tuition received, $146.

Sitka Hospital.—Physician in charge and two nurses; in-patients, 227; out-patients, 1,580; total, 1,807; salaries, $1,743.60; current expenses, $541.60; total, $2,285.20.

This training school, with its companion hospital work, is accomplishing for these natives what neither figures can record nor words express. Eternity alone will reveal it.

INDIANS.

The industrial schools are doing a grand work for the Christianization and civilization of the Indian. Each one of these schools is turning out boys and girls well taught in the Scriptures, with a fairly good English education, trained to habits of industry, embued with the Spirit of Christ and prepared to assume the responsibilities of citizenship. The day schools are schools and missions combined, and are meeting a long-felt want among the Indians. Three new fields have been opened during the year—two among the Utes in Colorado, and one among the Mekahs in Northwestern Washington. Neither of these tribes have ever had a settled missionary before. The lack of means has prevented greater enlargement. The Indians are pleading; souls are perishing; teachers are waiting; but no one sends them the gospel.

Anadarko, Indian Territory—(Mary Gregory Memorial).—Training and Industrial School for Boys and Girls, mixed Indian and white. Teachers, 8, including the Superintendent, who also preaches to several churches in the neighborhood, and the farmer; pupils—boarding, 65, day, 13—total, 78; salaries, $2,790.78; current expenses, $3,751.04; buildings, etc., $2,276.68; total cost, $8,815.50. Received from tuition, $225. In addition there was produced on the farm meat, grains, vegetables, etc., valued at $3,000, all of which was used, and thus the cost of maintenance was reduced to that extent.

Dwight, Indian Territory, Day School—Cherokee Indians.—Teachers, 2; pupils, 45; salaries, $500; current expenses, $32.53; total, $532.53. Received from tuition, $61.

Elm Spring, Indian Territory.—This school is unique. It is a day school for full-blood Cherokee Indians, with a boarding annex. The parents whose children are in the boarding department, provide the food, fuel, clothing, etc., and the pupils are taught to prepare the food, make their own clothing and do such other work as will fit them for intelligent farmers and housewives. Teachers, 3; pupils—boarding, 30, day, 40—total, 70; salaries, $1,000; current expenses, $172.76; total, $1,172.76. Received from tuition, $33.

Muskogee, Indian Territory—(Henry Kendall College).—This institution was started as a day school for Creek girls in the house of the home missionary. Henry Kendall College is the result. The work is of a high order. The results in every way are more than satisfactory to the entire Indian Territory. "It is the pride of the Synod and the crowning glory of the work of the Woman's Board in Indian Territory," says one who is thoroughly acquainted with its work and who is competent to judge. Teachers, 17; pupils—78 boarding, 168 day—total, 246; salaries, $7,175.57; current expenses, $13,293.46; buildings, etc., $1,769.08; total, $22,238.11. Received from tuition and board, $5,847.

Nuyaka, Indian Territory.—Training and industrial school for Creek full-blood boys and girls. In this institution splendid work is done in preparing boys for farmers and girls for housekeepers. Teachers, 7; pupils, 91; salaries, $2,950; current expenses, $8,231.13; total, $11,181.13. Received from tuition and boarding expenses, $8,206. On the farm of 320 acres the boys produce grains, grasses, meats, etc., valued at $2,500, which all goes to reduce the cash outlay for maintaining the school.

Park Hill, Indian Territory.—Day school. Cherokees. This is one of the old historic missions in the Indian Territory. Teachers, 1; pupils, 85; salary, $850; current expenses, $52.40; total, $902.40. Received from tuition, $18.

Tahlequah, Indian Territory (Tahlequah Institute).—This school is located at the capital of the Cherokee Nation. It is a boarding-school for girls, and a day school for both sexes. The class-room work is of a high order, and the industrial training, though limited, necessarily, from want of space, is good. Teachers, 6; pupils—boarding, 29, day, 182—total, 211; salaries, $2,794.25; current expenses, $2,812.79; buildings, etc., $100; total, $5,707.04. Received from tuition and board, $1,417.

Tulsa, Indian Territory.—Tulsa has been one of our best day schools in the Territory. The rapid growth of the town, the incoming of a large white element, and the consequent organization of a public school make unnecessary the continuance of a mission school. The building was sold to the local board of school trustees. However, land was retained for a church site, and a beautiful new house of worship has been erected thereon. Teachers, 1; pupils, 132; salary, $250.

Sacaton, Arizona.—There are three evangelists employed among the Pima and Papago Indians, under direction of Rev. Charles H. Cooke, at a cost of $416.67.

Tucson, Arizona.—Training school for boys and girls. Here the Pima and Papago boys and girls are taught how to care for their persons, their clothing, their rooms; to cook, sew, knit and do laundry work. The boys are taught farming. Teachers, 13; pupils, 197; salaries, $7,100.66; current expenses, $11,117.54; buildings, $650; total, $18,868.20. Received from tuition, $1,927.. This sum was almost entirely earned by the boys, who took the contract for clearing the streets of the city of Tucson, in excavating cellars of buildings, and harvesting and baling hay for farmers. In addition they grew on our ranch grains, alfalfa, etc., valued at $1,000.

Cortez, Colorado.—Day school and mission to the Ute Indians. Teachers, 1; salary, $75; pupils, 24; total cost, $75.

Lapwai, Idaho. This work is known as Miss McBeth's Theological School for Nezperce Indians. It is supplying pastors and evangelists for not only the Nezperces but for the Shoshones, the Bannocks and the Crows, and native missionaries to the "regions beyond." Teachers, 2; salaries, $713.33; class, 10; total, $713.33.

Tama, Iowa.—This is a mission to the Sac and Fox Indians in Iowa. The United States Government having opened a boarding-school, the mission was no longer needed. Teachers, 2; salaries, $864.

Wolf Point, Montana.—At Wolf Point a mission has been maintained for several years. The people are among the least civilized of the Dakota Sioux Indians. A school was opened a year ago. The parents plead so earnestly that their children have some industrial training that a few boys and girls were admitted to the home of the teachers. The parents provide all necessary clothing, provisions, fuel, etc., and the boys are taught gardening and the girls the domestic industries. The work will be enlarged. Teachers, 2; pupils—5 boarding, 30 day—total, 35; salaries, $816.24; current expenses, $400.60; buildings, etc., $717.67; total, $1,934.51.

Laguna, New Mexico.—Day School. The results are satisfactory. Great changes in manner of life and sentiments toward religion have taken place during the year. Teachers, 2; pupils, 50; salaries, $1,000; current expenses, $39; total, $1,039. Tuition collected, $14.

Good Will, South Dakota.—Good Will Mission is a training and industrial school for boys and girls. The boys are taught carpentry and general farming. The girls are trained to cook, sew, care for milk, and to keep themselves and their rooms neat and tidy. Teachers, 13; pupils—84 boarding, 12 day—total, 96; salaries, $5,679.15; current expenses, $4,922.24; total, $10,601.39. Received from tuition, $141. The farm yields all the meat, milk, vegetables and flour needed; and other products added make a total value of $3,000.

Neah Bay, Washington.—This is a mission among the Mekah Indians. It is too new to prophesy concerning its outcome. Teachers, 1; salary, $375; current expenses, $50; total, $425.

Springdale, Washington.—This day school came to us late in the year.

The United States Government having opened an industrial school, our teacher was transferred to Neah Bay; teachers, 1; pupils, 32.

MEXICANS.

The Mexicans are among our native American foreigners. Born on our soil, yet foreign in religion and language. They need our help. We must lift them up or they will pull us down. There are 25 schools with 48 teachers among these 265,000 people. "But what are these among so many?" Opposition has not ceased, but it is shorn of its strength. The gospel of Grace and Intelligence is doing its work. The youth are quick to learn better things, and readily lay hold of the truths which they discover have made American and Protestant Christians to differ from themselves.

There is now an earnest plea for a school in which both young men and young women can be trained for higher spheres of activity and usefulness than can be given them in the schools already established. Ministers are needed; and the natives make the most acceptable and successful preachers to their own people. Public school teachers are in demand; and the native men and women should have a chance. The work is advancing, God is richly blessing it, and the year just closed has proven one of the best in its history.

Alamosa Canon, Colorado.—Day school. Has been taught for several years by natives. The past year the teacher was one of our Santa Fé girls. Teachers, 1; pupils, 32; salary for six months, $295.38; current expenses, $25.30; total, $320.68. Tuition received, $11.

Ignacio.—The mission is in charge of Mr. A. J. Rodriguez, Mexican evangelist. He has succeeded in reaching the Ute Indians as well as his own people. Evangelists, 1; salary, $500.

The day school, for both sexes, is composed of Mexicans and Ute Indians. Teachers, 1; pupils, 38; salary, $329.25; current expenses, $83; buildings, etc., $39.50; total, $451.70. Tuition collected, $21.

San Juan, Colorado.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 53; salary, $584.50; current expenses, $9.25; total, $593.75. Tuition collected, $9.

San Pablo, Colorado.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 36; salary, $512.45; current expenses, $57.26; total, $569.71. Tuition collected, $40.

The above schools have regular weekly prayer-meetings, Sabbath-schools and Sabbath services.

Albuquerque, New Mexico (Menaul School).—Menaul School is a boarding-school for Mexican boys. Under the direction of competent teachers and matrons they keep their rooms tidy, assist in the kitchen and dining-room work, and launder their own clothing. A little is done in the way of industrial work, such as gardening, making repairs and improvements on the buildings, etc. Teachers, 6; pupils, 58; salaries, $3,151.85; current expenses, $1,908.95; buildings, etc., $305; total, $5,365.80. Tuition collected, $862.

Arroyo Hondo, New Mexico.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 37; sal-

aries, $186.65; current expenses, $213.57; buildings, etc., $600; total, $1,000.22.

Arroyo Seco, New Mexico.—Day school. Has been under the care of a native evangelist for several years. Teachers, 1; pupils, 42; salary for six months, $180; current expenses, $8.50; total, $188.50.

Canon Bonito, New Mexico.—Day School. One of the oldest and best. It is in the center of the Ocate Valley. The church, which has grown out of the school, is largely composed of converted Penitentes. Teachers, 2; pupils, 80; salaries, $500; buildings, etc., $80; total, $580.

Chaperito, New Mexico—(Frances Bray Mission).—Day School. Teachers, 1; pupils, 33; salary, $520.87; current expenses, $18.25; buildings, etc., $100; total, $639.12.

El Rito, New Mexico.—Day School. Teachers, 1; pupils, 88; salary, $555.53; buildings provided free; current expenses, $48.97; total, $604.50.

Embudo, New Mexico.—Day School. Teachers, 1; pupils, 46; salary, $500. Buildings are provided and current expenses paid by the people.

La Costilla, New Mexico.—Day School. Teachers, 1; pupils, 62; salary, $500; buildings, etc., $169.60; total, $669.60. Tuition collected, $224.

Las Cruces, New Mexico.—Day school, sewing school attached. Teachers, 3; pupils, 117; salaries, $900; current expenses, $79.65; buildings, etc., $56; total, $1,035.65. Tuition collected, $36.

Las Vegas, New Mexico.—Day school in the old Mexican part of the city. Teachers, 1; pupils, 68; salary, $500; current expenses, $51.80; total, $551.31. Tuition collected, $14.

Los Lentes, New Mexico.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 51; salary, $500; current expenses, $29.08; buildings, etc., $5.25; total, $534.33.

Pajarito, New Mexico.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 50; salary, $576.05; current expenses, $30.43; total, $606.48.

Penasco, New Mexico.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 67; salary, $500; current expenses, $23.86; total, $523.86. Tuition collected, $10.

Placitas, New Mexico.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 27; salary, $500; total, $500.

Raton, New Mexico.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 84; salary, $500; current expenses, $34.95; total, $534.95. Tuition collected, $3.

Santa Fé, New Mexico.—Boarding-school for girls. Here superior work is done both in the class room and in the industrial department. Santa Fé girls are sought for by families and school boards. The homes of these girls, when married, are distinguished for their neatness and order. Their example stimulates the natives to seek better things. The spiritual work is very satisfactory. Teachers, 7; pupils, 68; salaries, $3,950.08; current expenses, $1,741.15; buildings, etc., $694.65; total, $6,385.88. Tuition collected, $532.

Socorro, New Mexico.—Day school. Opened September 1st, 1899. Teachers, 1; pupils, 63; salary, $250; current expenses, $151.17; total, $401.17.

Taos, New Mexico—(Pyle Memorial).—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils

42; salary, $500; current expenses, $19.70; buildings, etc., $40; total, $559.70. Tuition collected, $5.

Taos El Prado, New Mexico.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 76; salaries, $800; total, $800.

Ranchos de Taos, New Mexico.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 100; salaries, $1,147.62; current expenses, $31.23; total, $1,178.85. Tuition collected, $10.

These three last mentioned schools are in a group. They are the center of a native population of about four thousand souls. Their influence for good during these past years cannot be estimated.

Los Angeles, California.—A boarding and industrial school for girls, and a day school for both sexes. It is the only Mexican work of the Woman's Board in California. Yet many more such are needed. The work, spiritual, intellectual and industrial is of a high order. Teachers, 2; pupils—boarding, 25, day, 16—total, 41; salaries, $1,000; current expenses, $1,225; total, $2,225.

MORMONS.

Only 24 schools and 70 teachers among the Mormons in Utah and Idaho. It is indeed a small army, but it is a brave one. They have held on their way only because they felt that their captain was in command and was marching at the head of the column. It will never be known to the outside world, nor rightly appreciated by the Church, what this consecrated band of mission teachers have been subjected to by their enemies on the field. From the President of the Church down to the most insignificant titheman, there has been a determined, persistent and almost brutal effort made to break up these schools. But God has most wonderfully preserved and sustained the workers. Grace according to their need has been given day by day. Under such stress it is marvelous that any progress has been made. Notwithstanding hindrances, God has blessed the work during the year, and has not suffered the faithful band to lose courage or suffer defeat.

American Fork, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 45; salary, $500; current expenses, $17.25; total, $517.25.

Benjamin, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 37; salary, $500; current expenses, $35.50; total, $535.50. Tuition collected, $6.

Brigham, Utah (Camp Mission).—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 68; salaries, $900; current expenses, $51.15; total, $951.15. Tuition collected, $46.

Ephraim, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 18; salary, $500; current expenses, $17.75; total, $517.75. Tuition collected, $7.

Fairview, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 35; salaries, $800; current expenses, $12.25; buildings, etc., $15; total, $827.25. Tuition collected, $5.

Gunnison, Utah.—A mission only. The work along mission lines is new, and was much disturbed by the small-pox, which appeared through the win-

ter. A good beginning has been made. Teachers, 1; salary, $578.77; buildings, etc., $3.03; total, $581.80.

Hyrum, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 30; salary, $500; current expenses, $15.70; buildings, $50; total, $565.70. Tuition collected, $16.

Kaysville, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 44; salary, $672.78; current expenses, $41.95; buildings, etc., $25; total, $739.73. Tuition collected, $26.

Logan, Utah—(New Jersey Academy).—Boarding and day school for both sexes. Teachers, 6; pupils—boarding, 19, day, 92—total, 111; salaries, $3,724.10; current expenses, $739.30; buildings, etc., $472.95; total, $4,936.35. Tuition collected, $282.

Manti, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 44; salary, $375; current expenses, $69.40; total, $444.40. Tuition received, $14.

Mendon, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 21; salary, $500; current expenses, $91.60; total, $591.60. Tuition collected, $5.

Monroe, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 31; salary, $500; current expenses, $64.39; total, $564.39. Tuition collected, $47.

Mount Pleasant, Utah—(Wasatch Academy).—Boarding and day school for both sexes. Teachers, 5; pupils—boarding, 36, day, 91—total, 127; salaries, $3,497.58; current expenses, $305.11; buildings, etc., $200; total, $4,002.69. Tuition collected, $234. The girls in the boarding department assist in the household duties.

Nephi, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 44; salary, $555.44; current expenses, $13.38; total, $568.82. Tuition collected, $14.

Parawan, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 3; pupils, 37; salaries, $891.58; current expenses, $65; total, $956.58. Tuition collected, $15.

Payson, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 66; salaries, $896.57; current expenses, $55.75; total, $952.32. Tuition collected, $50.

Pleasant Grove, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 21; salary, $500; current expenses, $10; total, $510. Tuition collected, $5.

Richfield, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 38; salary, $502.60; current expenses, $30.05; total, $532.65. Tuition received, $21.

Richmond, Utah—(Philadelphia Mission).—Day school and mission. Reopened September 1st, 1899. Teachers, 1; pupils, 30; salary, $286.90; current expenses, $10.85; total, $297.75.

Salina, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 70; salaries, $812; current expenses, $24.60; total, $836.60.

Salt Lake City, Utah—(Salt Lake Collegiate Institute).—Boarding and day school for both sexes. Teachers, 7; pupils—day, 29, boarding, 50—total, 79; salaries, $4,760.63; current expenses, $6,365.10; buildings, etc., $975; total, $12,100.73. Tuition collected, $4,021.

Connected with this institution is the Mary E. Moore home for girls. Here the inmates have an industrial training as part of their education.

Smithfield, Utah.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 37; salary, $500; current expenses, $8.63; total, $508.63. Tuition collected, $9.

Springville, Utah—(Hungerford Academy).—Boarding and day school for both sexes. Teachers, 5; pupils—boarding, 15, day 160—total, 175; salaries, $2,847.85; current expenses, $306.76; total, $3,154.61. Tuition collected, $255.

The girls in the "Home" assist in the household work.

St. George, Utah.—Mission and day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 50; salaries, $782.28.

Wellsville, Utah.—Mission and day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 10; salary, $518.75; current expenses, $31.40; total, $550.15. Tuition collected, $2.

Franklin, Idaho.—Day school. Reopened September 1st, 1899. Teachers, 1; pupils, 29; salary, $125; current expenses, $27.74; total, $152.74. Tuition collected, $5.

Malad, Idaho.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 110; salaries, $1,112.50; current expenses, $17.40; total, $1,129.90. Tuition collected, $50.

Paris, Idaho.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 34; salaries, $500; current expenses, $103.57; total, $603.57. Tuition collected, $31.

Samaria, Idaho.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 35; salaries, $619.39; current expenses, $61.79; total, $681.18. Tuition collected, $40.

MOUNTAINEERS.

The year has been full of work and made bright by success in all departments. There are 28 schools—day, boarding and industrial—all told and 106 teachers. Four new day schools were opened during the year. Every school has been taxed to its utmost capacity. Teachers have been overburdened with work and care, but have held on bravely. There have been many conversions among the pupils and their parents. The whole mountain region is an open door. Appeals have come to the Board forceful, and even pathetic, but the condition of the treasury forbade greater enlargement.

Asheville, North Carolina—(Normal and Collegiate).—A boarding-school for girls. Several distinct courses are given in the literary department, fitting graduates for positions as teachers in schools of all grades. There is a business course, including stenography and typewriting, and two industrial courses, viz., dressmaking, including millinery, and science cooking. These departments are very successful in training young women for positions of responsibility in which they can earn a competent support. The graduates from the school have no difficulty in finding honorable and remunerative positions. Best of all, almost without exception they go out into life carrying with them, and putting into practice, high ideas of Christian duty and privilege. Teachers, 15; pupils, 247; salaries, $6,650.07; current expenses, $9,007.05; buildings, etc., $429.25; total, $16,091.37. Tuition collected, $8,857.

Asheville, North Carolina—(Home Industrial).—This is the best known mission training and industrial school among the mountains, being the first one established. The literary course covers only the common English branches, fitting the graduates to teach an ordinary country school, or to

enter the Normal and Collegiate. The industrial work includes all lines of domestic duties, thus fitting the girls to become homemakers. The spiritual work is of a high order. Teachers, 8; pupils, 121; salaries, $3,150; current expenses, $8,470.25; total, $11,620.25. Tuition received, $1,900.

Asheville, North Carolina—(Farm School).—An industrial training school for boys. A common English education is given, but the principal work is the training of the youth and young men in farming, with sufficient knowledge of tools to enable them to do ordinary carpenter work. It is accomplishing for the boys what the Home Industrial is for the girls, both intellectually, industrially and spiritually. Teachers, 13; pupils—boarding, 120, day, 7—total, 127; salaries, $5,848.10; current expenses, $8,219.11; buildings, etc., $700; total, $14,767.21. Tuition collected, $625. In addition to tuition, the products of the farm, in grains, grasses, meats and garden vegetables, are valued at over $3,000.

Allanstand, North Carolina.—Day school and mission. Domestic industries taught. Teachers, 2; pupils, 60; salaries, $315.63; buildings, etc., $97; total, $412.63. Tuition collected, $76.

Big Laurel, North Carolina.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 80; salaries, $422.76; current expenses, $71.71; buildings, etc., $100.37; total, $594.84. Tuition collected, $39.

Gahagans, North Carolina.—Day school. New. Opened in a tobacco barn. Teachers, 2; pupils, 74; salaries, $252.80.

Shelton Laurel, North Carolina.—Day school. New. Teachers, 2; pupils, 60; salaries, $109.39.

The four last mentioned are in the heart of the mountains, and constitute a group. A church will soon be organized and a minister will take charge of the field in June, 1900.

Brittain's Cove, North Carolina.—Day school and mission. Industries taught. Teachers, 2; pupils, 49; salaries, $787.50. Tuition collected, $120.

Concord, North Carolina—(Laura Sunderland).—Boarding and industrial school for girls. Common English branches taught, qualifying graduates for public school teachers. The industrial training is thorough. The spiritual work is satisfactory. Teachers, 6; pupils, 60; salaries, $1,954.18; current expenses, $2,414.80; buildings, etc., $250; total, $4,718.98. Tuition collected, $846.

Concord, North Carolina—(Patterson's Mill).—Day school. Teachers, 3; pupils, 106; salaries, $341.13.

The Concord schools lie entirely within the territory of the Southern Presbyterian Church. The Patterson's Mill Chapel, with teachers' rooms on the second floor, was erected by the Concord Church. We work together most harmoniously and successfully.

Hot Springs, North Carolina—(Dorland Institute).—A boarding and industrial school for girls and boys, with a day school attached. The girls in the boarding department are taught the domestic industries and the boys gardening, etc., thus partly supporting themselves. The class room work is

superior and the spiritual work most gratifying. Teachers, 8; pupils—boarding 72, day 191—total, 263; salaries, $2,200.20; current expenses, $2,854.22; buildings, etc., $1,202.12; total, $6,256.54. Tuition collected, $997.

Jupiter, North Carolina.—Day school. Teachers, 3; pupils, 97; salaries, $841.05. Tuition collected, $90.

Marshall, North Carolina.—Day school. Teachers, 3; pupils, 120; salaries, $847.62; current expenses, $249.05; buildings, etc., $2,316.06; total, $3,412.73. Tuition collected, $165.

Paint Rock, North Carolina.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 66; salaries, $450; buildings, etc, $50; total, $500.

Riceville, North Carolina.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 124; salaries, $400; current expenses, $87.80; total, $487.80. Tuition collected, $278.

Valdese, North Carolina.—Day School. Colony Waldensians. Teachers, 2; pupils, 75; salaries, $465.95.

Walnut Springs, North Carolina.—Day school and mission. Industries taught. Teachers, 3; pupils, 116; salaries, $1,172.06; current expenses, $28.40; total, $1,200.46. Tuition collected, $65.

Elizabethton, Tennessee.—Day school. The missionary is the principal. Teachers, 1; pupils, 71; salary, $300.

Erwin, Tennessee.—Day school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 139; salaries, $581.60; current expenses, $62.32; buildings, etc., $2,550; total, $3,193.92. Tuition collected, $46.

A new and complete school building and teachers' home have been erected during the year.

Flag Pond, Tennessee.—Day school. Teachers, 3; pupils, 223; salaries, $470.93; buildings, etc., $500; total, $970.93. The tuition collected, $265, was used to pay the two assistant teachers. A new school building has been erected during the year.

Grassy Cove, Tennessee.—Day and boarding school. Teachers, 1; salaries, $300. The Principal is the missionary on the field and uses all receipts from tuition to pay the salaries of the assistant teachers and current expenses.

Kismet, Tennessee.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 46; salary, five months, $150. Tuition collected, $6.

Wilhites Valley, Tennessee. Day school. New. Teachers, 1; pupils, 37; salaries, $200; current expenses, $40.45; total, $240.45. Tuition collected, $8.

Harlan, Kentucky.—Day and boarding school. The Principal is the missionary in charge of the church. Boarding pupils are taught domestic industries. Teachers, 4; pupils—boarding, 6, day, 136—total, 142; salaries, $1,889.87; current expenses, $60.60; buildings, etc., $150; total, $2,100.47. Tuition collected, $250.

Many of the public school teachers of the county take a Normal Course here each winter, greatly to their profit, intellectually and spiritually.

Hyden, Kentucky.—Day school. Principal, pastor of the church. Cen

tral Church of New York City supports the work. Teachers, 4; pupils, 240; salary of Principal, $400. Tuition from the field used in the payment of assistant teachers.

Here, a Normal Class is maintained during the winter, for the benefit of the county public school teachers, 42 of the 49 attending during the last year. This work is elevating the tone of the teachers, fitting them for better work intellectually, and giving them new conceptions of Christianity.

Pikeville, Kentucky.—Day and boarding school. Principal, as in the case of Harlan and Hyden, is the minister in charge of the church, and the same grade and character of work are being done here as in them. Salary of Principal, $500. Collections from the field are used in the payment of the salaries of assistant teachers.

Manchester, Kentucky.—Day school. New. Teachers, 1; pupils, 36; salary, $100.

BIBLE READERS.

A very interesting and important part of the work in the mountains of the South is that of the Bible Readers. They go from house to house, speak to the people in regard to their souls' interest, assist in times of sickness, comfort the mourning, hold neighborhood prayer-meetings, organize and superintend Sabbath-schools and train the converts as teachers and superintendents, conduct Sabbath services, and, in fact, do the work of evangelists.

Crockettsville, Kentucky.—Mission. Bible readers, 1; salary, $300; Sabbath-schools, 1; scholars, 87.

Hindman, Kentucky.—Mission. Bible readers, 1; salary, $79.25; Sabbath-schools, 2; scholars, 129.

Vardy, Tennessee.—Mission. Bible readers, 2; salaries, $600; buildings, etc., $57.05; total, $657.05. Sabbath-schools, 5; scholars, 230. Two church organizations have grown out of this work—Vardy and Davis—the last being organized July 6th, 1899, with six members.

Acme, West Virginia.—Mission. Bible readers, 2; salaries, $101.85; Sabbath-schools, 4; scholars, 224.

Clear Creek, West Virginia.—Mission. Bible readers, 2; salaries, $621; current expenses, $11.02; buildings, etc., $230; total, $862.02. Sabbath-schools, 5; scholars, 214.

Dry Creek, West Virginia.—Mission. New. Bible readers, 1; salary, $225; Sabbath-schools, 1; scholars, 100.

Jarrold's Valley, West Virginia.—Mission. Bible readers, 2; salaries, $550; buildings, etc., $49.36; total, $599.36. Sabbath-schools, 4; scholars, 300.

Lawson, West Virginia.—Mission. The home of the missionary. Salaries, $225; buildings, etc., $34.76; total, $259.76. Sabbath-schools, 2; scholars, 200.

The last five missions above mentioned form a group in the Coal River

Valley. Bible readers, 7; Sabbath-schools, 16; scholars, 1,014. On April 25th, 1899, a church was organized at Clear Creek, as the most central point, of 125 members. When the story of this work was told to the people of the Central Church, Orange, N. J., they sent the Board the salary for the missionary, and he went at once to the field.

Wyoma, West Virginia.—Mission. Bible readers, 1; Sabbath-schools, 1; scholars, 53.

FOREIGNERS.

This work, before the present year, has been exclusively in Chicago. Its management was left entirely with the local Presbyterial society. It has been prosecuted with vigor. It is practically industrial in character, and most admirably conducted by the ladies in charge. At New Prague, Minnesota, a new station has been opened among a settlement of Bohemians. Miss Nowak, the missionary, brings the gospel to them in their own language. God is opening their hearts to the truth. The work is most important and encouraging.

Chicago, Illinois.—Olivet Memorial. Mission school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 63. West Division Street mission school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 78. West Superior Street mission school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 110. Immanuel Kindergarten mission school. Teachers, 2; pupils, 44. Industrial. Three teachers.

New Prague, Minnesota.—Mission. Bible readers, 1; salary, $75; Sabbath-school scholars, 40.

PORTO RICANS.

The call to enter this new island possession was such that it could not be resisted. It was urged by the first missionary appointed, Rev. M. E. Caldwell, Mayaguez, that in order to make the work successful, schools were a necessity. Hence two teachers very soon followed the missionary. The work opened up so encouragingly that two additional teachers were sent early in 1900. A teacher is also commissioned for San Juan. This new field gives promise of large success. The door is open and the gospel has entered Porto Rico. May it bring "deliverance to the captives, recovering of sight to the blind, and set at liberty them that are bruised."

Mayaguez, Porto Rico.—Day school. Teachers, 3; pupils, 100; salaries, $687.60; current expenses, $549.27; total, $1,236.87. Tuition collected, $362.

Mayaguez Playa, Porto Rico.—Day school. Teachers, 1; pupils, 40.

The cost of the entire work for the year in salaries, $138,710.15; current expenses, $102,875.68; buildings, etc., $10,558; total, $259,748.56, or $25,920.91 more than the previous year.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Populations.	Schools and Missions.			Sabbath Schools.		Young Peoples' Societies.		No. Conversions.
	No. Schools and Missions.	No. Missionaries, Teachers and Bible Readers.	No. Pupils.	No. Schools.	No. Scholars.	No. Societies.	No. Members.	
Alaskans....	11	34	699	1	130	1	100	53
Indians.....	18	88	1402	18	1605	6	208	149
Mexicans...	25	48	1446	25	1026	10	214	48
Mormons....	29	70	1478	29	1226	11	128	62
Mountaineers	37	118	2986	49	3881	14	693	414
Foreign Pop.	5	10	295	4	335			
Porto Ricans.	1	4	140	1	100			
Totals.....	126	*372	8446	122	8303	42	1343	726

*Of these sixteen are missionaries of the Board and nine are native evangelists and interpreters, whose salaries are paid by the Woman's Board.

How cold and formal the foregoing facts and figures are. They give the number of teachers and missionaries at work, and the names of the missions and schools in operation, the enrollment of pupils in the schools and scholars in the Sabbath-schools, and tell the number of young people in the various societies, how many conversions have occurred, and the cost of it all in cold cash. But is that all? Figures cannot tell of the faithfulness of that consecrated band of workers; of the burdens they have borne; of the difficulties they have encountered; of the hopes, the fears, the disappointments, the victories, that have come to them, as from day to day they have gone about among the people. What array of figures can tell of the effect upon pupils, keen eyed and susceptible as they are, of the many kind words spoken to boys and girls in private, the instruction imparted in the classroom and the Sabbath-school, and of the prayers uttered in secret for the salvation of the precious souls under their care? Figures are utterly powerless to express even a tithe of the mighty power of a Christlike life as the teacher or missionary goes about among the people, speaking kind words, doing kind deeds, helping in sickness, bringing comfort to the sorrowing, thus being veritable angels of mercy to a people who in times past were strangers to Christian sympathy and love. All this and much more have that royal band of workers been and done to those multitudes of neglected, despised and sorely oppressed exceptional populations and their children. They have met with reward as they have gone along, but verily their "reward shall be great in heaven."

SELF HELP.

The Woman's Board are thoroughly committed to the policy of teaching the people among whom their school work is carried on to pay, as far as they are able, for what they receive. The response has been gratifying, as the following comparative statement shows:

Received from tuition and boarding expenses for the year					1892–3,	$13,756.66
"	"	"	"	"	1893–4,	12,640.22
"	"	"	"	"	1894–5,	19,965.39
"	"	"	"	"	1895–6,	23,911.69
"	"	"	"	"	1896–7,	24,030.27
"	"	"	"	"	1897–8,	28,324.39
"	"	"	"	"	1898–9,	30,740.03
"	"	"	"	"	1899–00,	40,953.03

A gain over last year of $10,195.00.

In addition to the amount actually paid in cash for tuition, a great deal has been done by the people in the way of providing material for buildings, making repairs, building fences, etc., free of cost to the Woman's Board, all of which has been freely and gladly done, thus making the people feel a personal interest in the work. Many boys and girls, too poor to pay tuition, have earned their schooling by supplying wood, building fires and doing janitor's work. In many such ways the parents as well as the pupils show that the efforts of the Woman's Board to help them are appreciated, and are having their desired results.

The Woman's Board never forget, and the teachers and missionaries on the field never lose sight of the fact, that the one great aim and object of all this effort is, to gain the love of the children, and through them secure the confidence of the parents, and thereby lead both parents and children to Christ.

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